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• MSCJ Standard Track
• MSCJ with Emphasis in Law Enforcement Administration
• MSCJ with Emphasis in Corrections Administration

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Graduate Credit for Corrections Administration Track

Up to nine graduate credit hours will be granted to students who can demonstrate successful completion of the National Institute of Corrections “Management Development for the Future” leadership course.
### Master of Science in Criminal Justice (Standard Track)

**Required Foundation Courses**  
- MSCJ 500: Research Design  
- MSCJ 501: Current Issues and Future Directions in Criminal Justice  
- MSCJ 510: Legal and Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice  
- MSCJ 530: Legal Aspects of Criminal Justice Administration

**Required Core Courses**  
- MSCJ 524: Criminal Justice Policy Development and Evaluation  
- MSCJ 535: Budgeting and Planning for Criminal Justice Managers  
- MSCJ 561: Crisis Intervention  
- MSCJ 595: Emergent Issues in Criminal Justice Leadership

**Criminal Justice Electives**  
Choose three of the following courses:  
- MSCJ 525: Comparative Criminal Justice Systems  
- MSCJ 533: Topics in Criminal Justice  
- MSCJ 543: Development of Standard Operating Procedure  
- MSCJ 550: Readings in Criminal Justice Administration  
- MSCJ 567: Seminar in Juvenile Justice

**Total**  36 hours

### MSCJ with Law Enforcement Administration Emphasis

**Required Foundation Courses**  
- MSCJ 500: Research Design  
- MSCJ 501: Current Issues and Future Directions in Criminal Justice  
- MSCJ 510: Legal and Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice  
- MSCJ 530: Legal Aspects of Criminal Justice Administration

**Required Core Courses**  
- MSCJ 524: Criminal Justice Policy Development and Evaluation  
- MSCJ 535: Budgeting and Planning for Criminal Justice Managers  
- MSCJ 561: Crisis Intervention  
- MSCJ 595: Emergent Issues in Criminal Justice Leadership

**Required Emphasis Courses**  
Choose three of the following courses:  
- MSCJ 543: Development of Standard Operating Procedure  
- MSCJ 550: Readings in Criminal Justice Administration  
- MSCJ 577: Law Enforcement Administration  
- MSCJ 579: Law Enforcement and the Community

**Total**  36 hours

### MSCJ with Corrections Administration Emphasis

**Required Foundation Courses**  
- MSCJ 500: Research Design  
- MSCJ 501: Current Issues and Future Directions in Criminal Justice  
- MSCJ 510: Legal and Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice  
- MSCJ 530: Legal Aspects of Criminal Justice Administration

**Required Core Courses**  
- MSCJ 524: Criminal Justice Policy Development and Evaluation  
- MSCJ 535: Budgeting and Planning for Criminal Justice Managers  
- MSCJ 561: Crisis Intervention  
- MSCJ 595: Emergent Issues in Criminal Justice Leadership

**Required Emphasis Courses**  
Choose three of the following courses:  
- MSCJ 543: Development of Standard Operating Procedure  
- MSCJ 550: Readings in Criminal Justice Administration  
- MSCJ 587: Corrections Administration  
- MSCJ 589: Community Corrections

**Total**  36 hours

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